

## THE TROUBLES OF THE NATION.

## Ratification of the Southern Constitution by Louisiana—Passage of a Secession Ordinance in Arkansas—Resignation of Army Officers.

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## SEIZURE OF A SUPPLY VESSEL OFF PENSA.

SACOLA.

MORRIS, March 21, 1861.

The ship Isabella, laden with provisions for the United States fleet, was seized off Pensacola last night.

## PASSAGE OF A SECESSION ORDINANCE BY ARKANSAS.

MONTICELLO, Tenn., March 20, 1861.

Advice has been received here that the Arkansas State Convention adjourned to-day, after passing a secession ordinance and co-operation resolutions. They are to be submitted to the vote of the people. A conciliatory spirit was manifested by both parties.

## RATIFICATION OF THE CONFEDERATE STATES CONSTITUTION BY LOUISIANA.

BIRMINGHAM, March 21, 1861.

The State Convention to-day, after a lively debate, ratified the permanent constitution of the Confederate States by a vote of 100 yeas to 7 nays.

## NEWS FROM CHARLESTON.

BIRMINGHAM, March 21, 1861.

The steamer Massachusetts, from Charleston, arrived to-day, with a full cargo, including 1,744 hales cotton. Her passengers report that city as wearing a military aspect, and Palmetto flag waving in all directions. The floating battery exists, and the Charlestonians are all "sluggers."

## DEPLORABLE CONDITION OF UNITED STATES TROOPS IN NEW MEXICO.

THE DEPARTMENT OF NEW MEXICO—UNITED STATES ARMY OFFICERS RESIGNING—THE PAYMASTER AND QUARTERMASTER DEPARTMENTS WITHOUT MONEY OR CREDIT.

FORT BLISS, Ark., March 20, 1861.

The overland mail from New Mexico arrived this evening, with Dr. J. M. Hayden, Assistant Surgeon United States Army, and Lieut. R. C. Hill, of the Fifth infantry, as passengers, both of these officers having resigned.

Lieut. H. B. Kelly, Tenth infantry, and Lieut. H. C. McNeil and J. Wheeler, Jr., of the Mounted Rifles, have also resigned, and are en route.

Several other officers of high rank had tendered their resignations, and would soon leave for the East.

The Navajo Indian war has been concluded by Col. Denly, and another expedition against them is projected.

The troops at Fort Bliss, Quitman, Davis and Chihuahua, in Texas, have ceased to do duty, and are awaiting transportation to leave.

At Fort Chihuahua, two companies of Texas Rangers were stationed, and Camp Cooper was occupied by a like force.

The Quartermaster's department in New Mexico was without funds and credit, and the pay department without money. The troops will soon be short of supplies of every description, and will have to provide for themselves.

## REPORTS FROM NEW ORLEANS.

NEW ORLEANS, March 21, 1861.

The debate on the constitution of the Confederate States before the Louisiana Convention to-day was very exciting. Resolutions denounced it as an unmitigated oligarchy.

Mr. Semmes replied by a powerful argument, and showed that the same opposition arose on the adoption of the constitution of the United States. Ours, he said, was purely a representative government. Power was alone delegated by the people. Our liberty was representation of liberty, spread like a net work over the country.

The constitution was adopted—yeas 101, nays 7.

A special despatch to the Delta to-day says Lord Lyons favors the Southern confederacy.

It is not believed that Lincoln will jeopardize civil war by reinforcing the Southern forces.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE MISSOURI STATE CONVENTION.

ST. LOUIS, March 21, 1861.

In the State Convention yesterday the following resolutions, reported by the Committee on Federal Relations, were brought up, discussed and amended—

## THE RESOLUTIONS.

1. Resolved, That no adequate cause is shown to justify Missouri to dissolve her connection with the Federal Union, but, in the contrary, she will labor for such an adjustment of the existing Union as will secure to her, rights and equality to the States.

2. Resolved, That the people of this State are devotedly attached to the institutions of our country, and earnestly desire that the Union be preserved, and the feelings of causes of disagreement may be removed, the Union be perpetuated and peace and harmony be restored between the South and North.

3. Resolved, That the people of this State deem the maintenance to the constitution of the United States proposed by Mr. Crittenden, with the extension of the same to territories hereafter acquired, the best and only adjustment which will successfully remove the causes of difference forever from the arena of national politics.

4. Resolved, That the people of Missouri believe that the peace and quiet of the country will be promoted by a convention to propose amendments to the constitution of the United States, and that this Convention agree the Legislature of this State to take steps for calling such convention.

5. Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention the employment of military force by the Federal government to enforce the seceding States, or the employment of force by the seceding States to arrest the government of the United States, will result in the country being torn into civil war, and thereby extend all the evils of an antislavery settlement of the issues now pending.

6. Resolved, That the Convention adopted the third resolution, by yeas 101, nays 7.

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